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Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: K. TANAHASHI et al (see attached)

For:

PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM, MANUFACTURING PROCESS

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Enclosed a	re:														
X	Sheets of Drawings														
	This application is being filed without an executed Declaration.														
X	Priority is claimed from Japanese Application No. 2003-141296 filed May 20, 2003 A certified copy is attached herewith. (which is hereby														
X	Copies of the disclosure documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 form and incorporated by discussed in the specification or incorporated by attached Information Disclosure Statement.														
	Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is hereby claimed.														
	Specification: Abstract X, Description 39 pages; and 16 claim(s).														
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